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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 16, 2005 in the above-identified patent application, the date for response to which is extended by three months to May 16, 2006 by the accompanying Request for Three Month Extension of Time included below, Applicants file electronically this Response and Amendment.